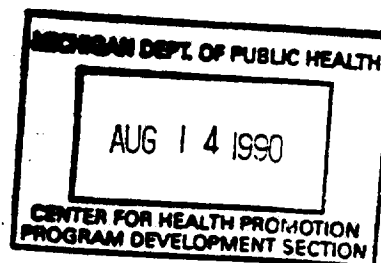


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Dear Mr. Beasley:

I am pleased to submit this letter of support to the Michigan Department of Public Health, Center for Health Promotion, for an ASSIST grant from the National Cancer Institute. We at Project EPIC (Education and Prevention in Communities) applaud your effort to address collaboratively the devastating impact of tobacco use upon our community. In view of the Department's recent tobacco reduction campaign, we are confident that you will be successful.

Project EPIC is a community-based alcohol and other drug abuse prevention program of the Addiction Research Institute at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. Since 1986, Project EPIC has assisted community-based organizations in the fight against drug abuse and the struggle to improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods. Project EPIC staff provides consultation, education, and technical assistance to neighborhood groups, churches, community organizations, and human service providers within the City of Detroit. Albeit crack cocaine and other illicit drugs are more prevalent in the news, tobacco use has more of an impact on the community, particularly the black community.

As a primary prevention and health promotion program, Project EPIC will gladly provide technical assistance to your effort in the Detroit community. Please let us know how we may cooperate.

Sincerely yours,

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